

pro and con

QUESTION: What do you think about our new cut system?

Rick Gaskin, president of BSU, Lancaster, S. C.—I'm pleased with the cut system for a number of reasons. First, I think it's a great example of how the SGA can represent the students and what can be accomplished through it. Second, I hope it indicates the realization that the best way to train the students in responsibility is by granting them some responsibilities of their own, a fact which has been overlooked on our campus for some time.

Judy Pait, freshman, Dublin—I don't like it. The teacher, not the administration, should decide how many cuts a student may take without lowering their grades.

Georgia Howard, president of Sigma Alpha Chi, Raleigh—I think it is good, but that it needs testing to see if we are mature enough to keep it and use it well. The majority can be mature enough to work such a system.

Diane Costner, junior, Raleigh—I like it as it is. No changes should be made. Freshmen are not yet mature enough or experienced enough to see the necessity of going to class.

Heather Brose, senior, River Edge, N. J.—I feel that it shows not only the growth and maturity of the students but also the growth and maturity of the college towards new ideas. Students who can't keep a "C" average will soon find out the harmful effects of taking too many cuts.

Darlene Swisher, freshman, Crozet, Va.—You might be a real dum-dum and cut too many classes if the administration did not set restrictions for freshmen. Upperclassmen should have learned the value of class attendance, and should be willing to take all responsibilities for their actions.

Richard Brown, senior, Hamlet—I like it, I wish we had more, maybe three cuts a week.

Lee Forrest, senior, Falls Church, Va.—I feel this new system will give our students more responsibility; however, it should be remembered that the student who uses every cut is usually the one who should not and the student who does not is usually the one who could.

James Averette, senior, Zebulon—The cut system is a chance for the student to show that he is a responsible member of the college society. It will raise the school standards by eliminating those not interested in learning.

Butch Townsend, freshman, Albemarle—I think it's good but it's keeping me from going home this weekend.

Franklin Smith, Jr., freshman, Welcome—I think we have enough cuts because a student should not miss too much of classes.

Singing the Blues

"Nobody knows da trouble I've seen; nobody . . ."

These are the lyrics to a familiar campus song sometimes called "The Advisor's Lament." Well, they might not be familiar to freshmen, but many of the upper classmen know them precisely. It's a seasonal song, sung at the opening of the school year and occasionally at other times when the demand for interested staff members exceeds the current supply.

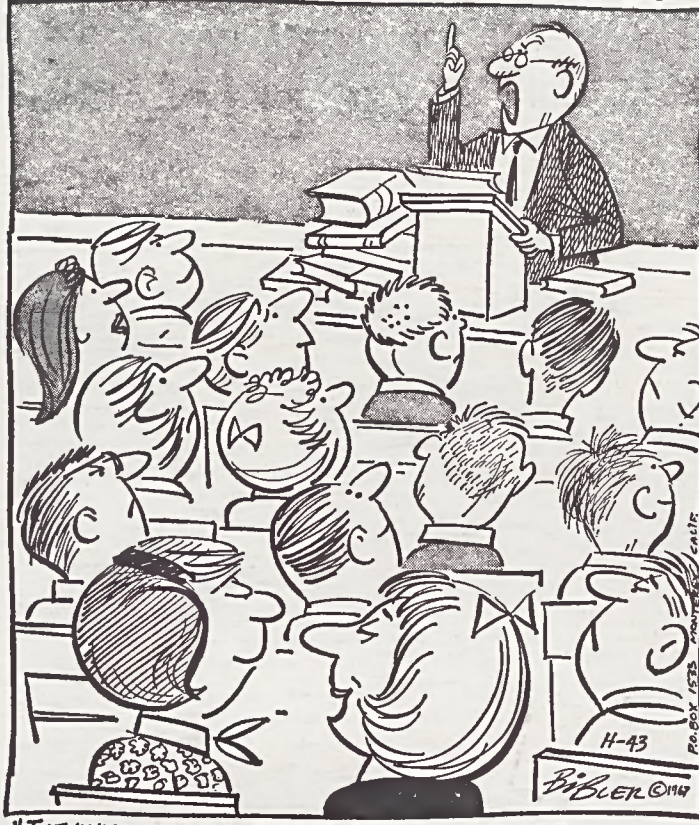
This is the season. The Hilltop, which boasts itself as a student publication, is in danger of again becoming a combination students-and-advisor publication. Considerably less than a dozen persons have shown any interest in it, and the simple fact is that nine or ten students cannot put out a good student publication for a student body of approximately 1325.

The variety of job openings on the staff is rather wide. There is immediate need for two students to handle advertising, one to take care of exchange papers and write a column concerning life on other campuses, five to ten to handle straight news copy, one to keep track of intramural sports activities, two to devote a couple of hours per issue to proofreading, and two or three others to take care of various duties.

Volunteering time is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., when the staff will meet in the Hilltop-Laurel Office in the Montague Building to plan for the Founders Day/Homecoming issue, Oct. 7.

Other issues planned for the 1967-68 school year are as follows: Oct. 21, Nov. 4 and 18, Dec. 2 and 16, Jan. 27, Feb. 10 and 24, Mar. 9 and 23, Apr. 6 and 20, May 4.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"I THINK YOU WILL REALLY ENJOY THIS CLASS ONCE YOU LEARN TO IGNORE HIS LECTURES."

Rockefeller Best Man

Even though the national elections are more than a year away, the news media are filled with news of candidates and non-candidates for the Republican nomination for the presidency; yea, even for the vice-presidency. At this stage in the game there appear to be three candidates, one dark horse hopeful, and one non-candidate mentioned as likely nominees for the top spot. The candidates are Richard Nixon, George Romney and Ronald Reagan. The dark horse is Charles Percy, and the non-candidate is Nelson Rockefeller.

While Governor Rockefeller probably is the person most likely to beat President Johnson, he is also the least likely to achieve the nomination at this time. The main reason for this is Rockefeller's own reticence at becoming a candidate. He has declared that he is not interested in the Presidency, that he has found fulfillment as governor of New York.

Despite Rockefeller's disclaimer of interest, national pollsters show a rising trend for the Governor. This rise corresponds with a decline in the fortunes of Michigan Governor Romney, who has proved that he has quite a talent for putting his foot in his mouth and keeping it there.

Of all the contenders, Rockefeller is the most attractive. Nixon seems to lack that certain "something." Reagan simply lacks the experience of a Rockefeller or a Nixon. Percy is young enough to wait a few years and is merely staying in the wings in the event of a convention deadlock.

Rockefeller has experience. His three terms as governor of the Empire State have shown him to be an effective, able leader. His most recent race showed that he is also a good campaigner who can come out fighting especially when the chips are down.

It appears that in order to achieve a Rockefeller candidacy a genuine draft movement must occur. Rockefeller has said he would not accept a nomination under any circumstances, but I believe this to be only talk. The Governor recognizes, I feel, that he has the duty to run if called upon by his fellow countrymen. No serious public servant can rightfully quote General Sherman, "If nominated, I will not run. If elected, I will not serve."

I believe Nelson Rockefeller to be the best man in sight for the Presidency of the United States.

—JLS

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Around Campus

Congratulations to Coach Ron Bromley and his wife Dell, who formerly was secretary to the president; they are the elated parents of a lovely daughter, Leslie Broyhill Bromley, born last week.

Richard Hoffman of the History and Political Science faculty is also beaming with fatherly pride these days. His wife, Jeanne, a Mars Hill alumna, gave birth to their second son on Tuesday morning. They named him William and will call him Will.

The Business Honor Club got its new school year off to a good start last week with a called meeting at which new officers were elected. The top positions went to John Stancil, president; Bill Thompson, vice president; Maxie Rayford, secretary; and Kathy Spells, treasurer.

The National Teacher Examinations, that strenuous hurdle all future school teachers must clear, will be given again on campus Saturday, Oct. 7, under the guidance of Dr. John Hough, head of the Department of Education.

The second Monday night of each month was chosen as the meeting night of Pi Sigma Phi, physical education majors' club. The decision came at the first gathering last week, over which club president Bill Dyar presided.

An extensive run-down of information on the club was given. Robin Gilman presented the devotional and Beverly Keller read the minutes of the last meeting of last spring; Jerry Blevins, secretary-treasurer, gave a financial report and offered club stickers and sweatshirts for sale. Dyar presented suggested changes in the club constitution and asked each member to study them carefully....

After the meeting refreshments were served in the lounge of Chambers Physical Education Building and those interested were given a tour of the new building.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, will be opening day for the campus chapter of the Society for the Advancement of Management. The first meeting of the new school year will be held on that date at 7:30 in the Library Auditorium. A guest speaker has been scheduled.

The organization, frequently referred to as SAM, is currently holding a membership drive. Interested sophomores, juniors and seniors are invited to join.

Four newcomers from overseas were welcomed into the membership of the International Students' Club at its initial meeting of the year Monday night. They are Nikom Matragoon, Prida Chaisiri and Pramot Juthopan, all from Thailand; and Mary Carol Harris from Bermuda, who was also elected secretary.

Harry Cavalaris of Greece was elected president, succeeding Winston Lau of Hong Kong. Fernando Downs of Nicaragua was named vice president; David Chang of Hong Kong, treasurer.

Speaker for the evening was Dr. Edgar Lyngholm of Asheville, a native of Denmark who presented an illustrated lecture on his homeland.

Dr. and Mrs. Roman Gorski, Miss Mildred Bingham and Miss Frances Snelson are sponsors for the club.

Something called "American Choreographic Program" is listed on the college calendar for 8 p.m. Oct. 2 in Moore Auditorium. The American Choreographic Company is a ballet company, which combines both classical and modern dance techniques in presenting an evening of dance theater.

Founder and artistic director of the company is Richard Nickolaus, whose ballets have been highly acclaimed in Europe and whose works have been presented on all three major television networks.

Principal dancers are Margot Travers, an 18-year-old product of Nickolaus' training, and William Thompson, who doubles as assistant artistic director.

The music, which ranges from Bach to classical Kabuki theater pieces, is under the direction of Robert Schaff.

In all, the company includes 25 persons who have been chosen for their specific technical and theatrical abilities.

The company's appearance at Mars Hill will be the first stop of an 11-day tour through North Carolina sponsored by the Piedmont University Center of Winston-Salem. Other campuses to be visited are Elon, High Point, Bennett and A & T in Greensboro, Livingstone in Salisbury, Winston-Salem and Salem in the Twin City area, and Catawba.

The M-Club for varsity athletes held its first meeting of the year Monday night with Jerry Blevins, president, presiding. Coach Bromley showed a football action film.

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